REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this continuation application in view of

the foregoing amendments.

Claims 1-32 have been canceled and new claims 33-54 have been added. No new matter

has been added. Claims 33-54 are presented for examination.

Applicant has amended the specification to correct minor typographical errors. No new

matter has been added.

Applicant understands that, per MPEP § 609, the Examiner will consider information

which has been considered by the Office in the parent application when examining this

continuation application, and that such information need not be resubmitted. For the

convenience of the Examiner and to ensure that such information is printed on the face of any

patent issuing hereon, applicant has enclosed a form PTO/SB/08A citing all the references cited

in the parent application. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the cited

references, initial the form PTO/SB/08A, and include a copy of the form with the next

communication to applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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